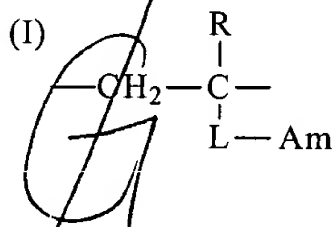


D<sup>2</sup> 2. (Three Times Amended) The jet printing ink of claim 1, wherein the basic polymer contains a repeating unit of the following formula (I):



in which R is a hydrogen atom or methyl; L is a single bond, -CO-, -O-, an alkylene group, an arylene group, or a combination thereof; and Am is a 1-imidazolyl.

D<sup>3</sup> Sub. 9. (Three Times Amended) A method of forming an ink image on a receiving sheet using an ink jet printer, which comprises jetting drops of an ink comprising a dye and an aqueous medium which further comprises glycerol and a basic polymer having a side-chain containing a 1-imidazolyl, wherein the basic polymer is contained in an amount of 0.1 to 50 weight % and the ink has a viscosity of 50 cp or lower at 25°C.

#### REMARKS

Entry of the foregoing, re-examination and reconsideration of the application identified in caption, as amended, pursuant to and consistent with 37 C.F.R. §1.116 and in light of the remarks which follow are respectfully requested.

Upon entry of the amendments, Claims 1, 2, 5 and 8-11 are pending in the application. By the amendments, the features of canceled Claim 12 have been incorporated